

JAIL COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 21, 2017

Members present: Joel Tjelmeland (chairman), Catie Sheehan (vice chairman), Annette Fulgenzi, Tom Madonia, George Preckwinkle, Rose Ruzic and Linda Douglas-Williams.

Members absent: Tony DelGiorno & Tim Krell

Others present: Sheriff Wes Barr, Superintendent Larry Beck, Chief Joe Roesch, Tim Eggleston & Mary Carter (secretary)

Chairman Tjelmeland called the meeting to order at 1201p.

Tjelmeland requested a motion to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2017 Jail Committee meeting. Motion was made by Douglas-Williams & seconded by Madonia. Motion carried (7-0).

REPORTS:

Sheriff Barr –nothing to report.

Chief Roesch –Chief reported that the training he attended last week in Miami Beach, FL was very good. The presenters were arbitrators and they talked most about last chance agreements and FMLA. Roesch says he is already putting the training to good use.

Douglas-Williams asked how ICE affects the county. Sheriff says that they cooperate with any ICE detainees. He doesn't foresee his department being asked to pick up illegal immigrants. Beck says that they have had 5 ICE inmates in the last year and they were gone from the jail within 72 hours.

Superintendent Beck – jail count is 378. Beck says overtime has been extremely high. There are 3 inmates who are in the hospital and require 24/7 care. They also have some vacancies they hope to fill soon which will help with overtime. Video visitation will be going live on Thursday. He has spoken to almost all of the inmates about the procedures. He has pamphlets he will pass out. Douglas-Williams would like one in case she has to answer any questions to people in her district. Family members can go on the IC Solutions website, register & schedule visits. If they don't have a computer, they can come to the jail and staff can assist them.

Fulgenzi asked if it was possible to coordinate with the hospital to see if the inmates can be on the same floor to save manpower and money. Beck says that they are in different hospitals and 2 are in isolation all the time. Eggleston said that not only do we pay for our overtime, we will receive bills on the back end, after the bills go to public aid.

Sheriff Barr says that they are starting to recruit for correction officers. They have made a short video to take to job fairs. They recently were at the NAACP banquet & the UIS job fair. Tomorrow they will be at IDOT. They are utilizing social media, trying to attract young people, but for these positions, you must be 21 and able to carry a firearm. Applications will be accepted March 1st through 31st. You can download the application but it has to be turned in, in person. The testing is in April.

Coroner's Office: no one present

New Business:

Tim Eggleston presented MJ Kellner for approval. Chairman Tjelmeland requested a motion to approve the MJ Kellner bills for \$17,427.96. Preckwinkle made a motion to approve and Ruzic seconded. Motion carried (7-0).

- Pre-travel request for TBD Deputy to attend Basic Crime Prevention Seminar in Louisville, KY at a cost of \$2,710
- Pre-travel request for the Sheriff to attend the Illinois Sheriff's Association Winter Conference in Peoria, IL at a cost of \$833.44
- Pre-travel request for Captain Cheryllynn Williams to attend Traumas of Law Enforcement in Burr Ridge, IL at a cost of \$392.70

Sheehan made a motion to approve all 3 pre-travel requests & Fulgenzi seconded. Motion carried (7-0).

- Approval to replace a Control Room Operator position in Corrections
- Approval to replace a Records Clerk position in Support Services

Madonia made a motion to approve the replacements & Ruzic seconded. Motion carried (7-0).

Old Business: none

Chairman Tjelmeland requested a motion to approve the requisitions for the Sheriff & Coroner. Douglas-Williams made a motion to approve and Sheehan seconded. Motion carried (7-0).

Douglas-Williams made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Fulgenzi. Motion carried (7-0) and the meeting adjourned at 12:24pm.